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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (SIDS)

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, Applicants hereby make of record the following additional documents. A PTO Form SB/08 and a full copy of each of the documents required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) accompany this statement.

Applicants have become aware of the following documents, cited in a European Search Report issued February 22, 2010, during the prosecution of Application No. 09178430.6, which corresponds to the above referenced application.

Please note that Applicants' attorney does not include in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement all of the references cited in the corresponding European Search Report. These references were previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement to the U.S. Patent Office in this case on July 28, 2005.

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such document is prior art. Moreover, Applicants understand the Examiner will make an independent evaluation of the cited documents.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 (37 CFR 1.97(b)(4)).

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 12-0080, under Order No. DUQ-002RCE3.

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Respectfully submitted,

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